



Grade 6 Elective Course Request Form

Welcome to W.G. Murdoch, Grade 6 families! Below is the list of elective (option) courses being offered at W.G.M. for the 2021-2022 school year. Please take your time and read the course descriptions. Write the numbers 1-8 under the title of the courses you are interested in, with 1 being your top pick.

***please note, not all courses may be offered depending on student interest or timetable constraints.**

Student's Last Name:	Student's First Name:	Grade:
Parent Signature:	Student Signature:	6

Elective	Course Description	Est. Cost
Art	This is your chance to experience some really cool artistic techniques and challenge your ideas about art! Drawing, painting, pastel, printmaking, and sculpture are just some of the art mediums that students will have the opportunity to explore in this option. You will learn techniques and skills related to art mediums and learn to talk and think critically about art.	
Fine Art	Explore various hands-on art projects including working with clay, artistic structures and design.	
Fiber Arts	This course will explore embellishing, painting, printing or quilting. Explore working directly with fibers to create articles through weaving, knitting, needlework, crocheting and/or sewing.	
Drama	Drama is designed for students who are interested in developing their acting skills and build confidence before an audience. Theatre games help students learn to work with each other and practice specific skills. Students will gain experience in monologues, improvisation, pantomime, readers' theatre, skits, short scenes, and one act plays.	
Foods	In Foods, students learn basic kitchen safety and safe food handling practices through a practical, hands-on approach. Students will work as part of a kitchen team to prepare recipes that allow them to understand cooking terms and recipe organization, as well as develop familiarity with kitchen equipment.	
Hockey	Students will participate in hockey skill development both on and off the ice. Hockey equipment required. (Semester 1) 2 years hockey experience recommended.	\$250
Hockey/Golf	Students will participate in both hockey and golf where they can hone their skills through play and practice. Hockey equipment required; golf clubs are optional. (Semester 2) 2 years hockey experience recommended.	\$250
Sports Performance	Develop your athletic skill in this physically challenging extension of physical education. Learn more about developing strength, agility and skills in a fun, energetic environment.	
Leadership	Develop skills in thinking critically, communicating effectively, and working cooperatively in a group to successfully plan activities and events in our school. Students learn personal and team responsibility, problem solving, how to organize and promote an event, how to work well with others, what leadership means, how to set goals and plans, the importance of trust, honesty and reliability and other characteristics necessary in a leader.	
French as a Second Language	French as a Second Language will introduce you to all that French culture has to offer, such as music, food, movies and more. Learn the basics of the French language so you can travel, open up job opportunities, and speak both of our official languages! No experience necessary!	
Band	Band is a yearlong course. Students will explore a variety of musical genres including pop, rock and film music through this performance-based course. Students will have the opportunity to experiment with their instruments while also being part of full group ensemble.	
Robotics	In this option you will learn the basics of Robotics. From the definition of a robot to how programming works to designing, building and programming.	
Shop	Students explore their love of creating and constructing in a shop environment. Access to equipment differs depending on the age of the student.	
Mechanics	Students will develop fundamental skills in metalworking and car maintenance and repair. Access to equipment differs depending on the age of the student.	
Cosmetology	Students will explore topics related to Esthetics and Beauty, both for personal use and as a	

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	future career option. This course is intended to introduce students to and allow them space to discover for themselves basic nail care & art, haircare and basic updo's, beginner skincare, and age-appropriate makeup application.	
Outdoor Education	This is a student-centered program designed to enhance the participant's learning ability, self-confidence, and self-discipline. Students will use the outdoors as a classroom and incorporate many skills to live an active and healthy lifestyle.	
Yoga	Exploring mindfulness, re-energizing, and the gift of time in this movement filled course. Students will have the opportunity to take a breath of fresh air from the busyness of their day to day and engage in yoga practice and the knowledge that is gained when you can take time for yourself.	
Photography	Photography is an introduction to or extend your understanding of digital imaging and photography. Explore visual communication, self-expression, and creative problem solving through the creation of commercial, contemporary, and fine art. Learn the elements and principles of design, composition, lighting, and using camera setting to have control over your photographic images!	
Game Strategy	In this class we will be looking at some different games and determine the strategy to win (if possible) or to not lose. Throughout the course, we will look at a variety of "games" to develop reasoning and strategy using board, card, dice, and other similar games.	
Film Studies	If you love different types of movies and would like to explore the elements used by film makers to capture our imaginations, then FILM STUDIES may be an option for you! Students will watch and analyze several films. They will have the opportunity to explore elements of film used by film makers to capture the audience.	
Forensic Science	Investigate a variety of evidence (fingerprints, foot/tire/other prints, soil samples, handwriting analysis, paper chromatography, fabric/hair analysis and DNA) and link it to a possible source, observe human and animal footprints to infer the direction and speed of travel, and identify evidence of human and animal activity outdoors, and make inferences based on the unique characteristics of the evidence observed.	
Dance	Through the knowledge about dance and the opportunity to develop physical, social and emotional skills, the dance option is intended to foster technical proficiency, historical appreciation and positive self-pride. This class will foster positive group interactions in a supportive, non-threatening and challenging environment. Students become creators, performers, historians, critics and patrons.	
STEM	STEM is designed to integrate science, technology, engineering and mathematics. Students will apply concepts they are learning about in their math and science class to engineering based problems. Explore how forces work. Investigate a wide variety of systems that shape our planet. Determine how organisms survive and reproduce. Get ready to do hands-on learning and project-based learning!	
Agriculture Studies	Where Does Your Food Come From? In this class we will investigate where our food comes from and how it is produced, transported, shipped, and consumed not only in Alberta but around the world. Look at food production methods, hydroponics, aquaponics, conduct various food experiments and grow various plants. This course will focus on the Journey 2050 curriculum in preparation for the green certificate program later on in high school.	
Evolution of Music	Country? EDM? Rap? KPop? Gregorian Chant? Dr Dre? Alan Jackson? Lady Gaga? Tchaikovsky? Explore some of contemporary/current music's origins and see how they ebb, flow, and are a sign of the times. Students will listen to and learn about various teacher-selected genres of music and their historical impact and will also explore genres of their choosing. Music makes the world go round—let's find out why!	
Travel & Tourism	Develop your appreciation for travel! Through discussion and media, explore places that you would like to travel to in the future. Examine all the different budget options, create an itinerary, identify pre-departure requirements and explain what kind of budget you would need for your trip. Itineraries will be shared with peers.	
Yearbook	Interested in graphic design and photography? In this option, students will be organizing, designing, and creating the WGM yearbook. The process will involve taking and choosing pictures and information to share as memories of the awesome school year, deciding on colour schemes and creating artwork for the cover and page templates.	